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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Tacked Coiled Food Products and Methods of Fabricating," the Specification of which was filed on February 11, 2000 as United States Application Number 09/502,140.

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October 8, 1999

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Serial No.: 09/502,140
File Date: February 11, 2000
Assignee: Van Melle USA Inc.
For: TACKED COILED FOOD PRODUCTS AND METHODS OF FABRICATING

POWER OF ATTORNEY

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please cancel all previous powers of attorney in the above-identified patent and recognize the following attorneys to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent: Steven J. Goldstein, Registration No. 28,079; Edwin R. Acheson, Jr., Registration No. 31,808; Glenn D. Bellamy, Registration No. 32,887; Ann G. Robinson, Registration No. 39,820; Ria Farrell Schalnat, Registration No. P-47,058; David E. Schmit, Registration No. 28,472; Karlyn A. Schnapp, Registration No. 45,558; and Kevin S. Sprecher, Registration No. 42,165; all of Frost & Jacobs LLP, 2500 PNC Center, 201 East Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202; Telephone No. (513) 651-6800.

VAN MELLE USA INC.

By: _____

Name: Martin E. LaCroix

Title: President

Date Sept. 15, 2000

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ASSIGNMENT

Application No. 09/502,140Filed: February 11, 2000

IN CONSIDERATION of one dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned in "Tacked Coiled Food Products and Methods of Fabricating" and in the application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor, executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith and in any reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application are hereby assigned by the undersigned to **Van Melle USA Inc.**, a Kentucky corporation, and the successors, legal representatives and assigns of **Van Melle USA Inc.**, (hereinafter collectively called said Assignee), and the Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized and requested by the undersigned to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

FOR SAID CONSIDERATIONS it is hereby agreed by the undersigned, upon the request of said Assignee, to execute any necessary and proper oaths or affidavits relating to said application or required for the filing or prosecution of any divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part application thereof or for the filing or prosecution of any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted on said invention or improvements that said Assignee may deem necessary or expedient, and for the said consideration it is further agreed by the undersigned, upon the request of said Assignee, in the event of said application or any division thereof, or Letters Patent issued thereon, or any reissue or application for the reissue thereof, becoming involved in interference, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the undersigned with said Assignee in the matters of preparing and executing the preliminary statement and giving and producing evidence in support thereof, and further to perform, upon such request, any and all affirmative acts to obtain said Letters Patent and vest all rights therein hereby conveyed in the said Assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned if this Assignment and sale had not been made. And for the said considerations the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvements, including all priority rights, and the right to claim priority rights and the privileges and benefits thereof, including those under the International Convention, and all other conventions, and the right to file applications for patent in said Assignee's own name for said invention or improvements in each and every country of the world are hereby Assigned and granted by the undersigned to said Assignee. It is further agreed by the undersigned, upon the request of said Assignee, to execute any and all documents that shall be required of the undersigned to be executed in connection with any and all applications for foreign letters patent therefor, including the prosecution thereof, and to execute any and all documents necessary to invest title in said foreign applications and patents in said Assignee. The attorneys of record in said application for patent are hereby authorized and requested by the undersigned to insert in this Assignment the date and Serial Number thereof in the places provided therefor.

David E. Babiarz

Date

Separate Assignment

Ronald T. Cappadocia

Date

Separate Assignment

William E. Lundgren, Jr.

Date

State of IL)
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On 03/11/2000 2000, David E. Babiarz appeared before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, and acknowledged that he freely and voluntarily subscribed and executed the foregoing Assignment for the purposes and uses therein expressed.

Notary Public

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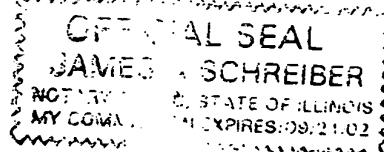
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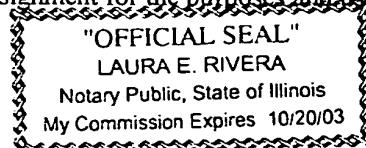
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